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 COMMUNICATION THEREWITH

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Sir:

This reply is in response to the Office communication, dated February 8, 2005, in which an election/restriction was set forth under 35 U.S.C. 121. Applicant elects, without traverse, the species of "Group I: A modular vehicle with a remote control" for prosecution on the merits. The species of Group I relates to FIG. 1 and at least the following claims read on the elected species: 1, 2, 4, 7-10, 13-18. Applicant notes that claims 1, 8, and 14 are considered generic in the Office communication.

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